

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This Supplemental Amendment is sent in response to the February 2, 2007 Office Action, which supercedes the previous Amendment filed on May 2, 2007. This Supplemental Amendment presents Claim 1 and cancelled Claims 4-6 in the proper format.

The applicant submits that the examiner's rejection to claims 1-3 is overcome by the amendment for the following reasons.

The present invention is directed to information technology, as recited in Background of the Invention. The amended claims 1-3 adopt means-plus-function to define the technical contents of the present invention. Therefore, through the amended claims 1-3, the present invention enables a general computer to execute a generation function of custom-made software according to software application programs. Accordingly, the amended claims 1-3 of the present invention belong to a special-purposed computer, which is capable of executing the generation function of custom-made software. Further, the accessing, setting and gathering means recited in the amended claims 1-3 are not merely data transformation, but can generate, through the use of the special-purposed computer, electromagnetic records (the source codes of the custom-made software) appended to the general computer, and enable the general computer to execute the source codes of the custom-made software, to transform the general computer into the special-purposed computer. Therefore, amended claims 1-3 comply with the patentable requirement for computer software. The examiner states that complex software cannot be customized and produced with just the use of customer supplied specifications. However, the applicant considers that this relates the extent that the software is modularized, and is not a technical means without the possibility of being realized.

The examiner cites Campbell et al. (US 6,377,951) and Bowhill (US2004/0015831) to reject the present invention.

Campbell discloses an on-line database updating network system and method, which uses object-oriented programming to build a program of discrete blocks, with each block being separately accessible, modifiable, and replaceable. The system includes a user terminal, a host terminal and a communications channel. Origin dates of user module blocks of information

stored in the user terminal are compared with origin dates of corresponding host module blocks of information stored in the host terminal. Host module blocks having origin dates more recent than corresponding user module blocks are used to update the relevant user module blocks of information.

Bowhill discloses a method and apparatus for building software packages. When receiving files from a remote repository, the system creates a batch file for each software package to be built, wherein the batch file specifies instructions for creating an executable file for each software package. The batch files are assigned equally into the queues. During processing of the batch files, each queue is served by a virtual server. A plurality of virtual servers resides within one computing device. The system stores the executable file for each software package, and a user can select a software for use.

In summary, Campbell discloses that the program is divided by the object-oriented programming into discrete blocks, the origin dates of the blocks are determined whether to be updated, and the blocks can be separately accessible, modifiable, and replaceable. However, Campbell fails to disclose, teach or suggest gathering and combining a plurality of modules relating to the composition of a program into an integrated code package. On the other hand, Bowhill discloses creating a batch file and generating an executable file after receiving files, and storing the executable file for each software package in a directory structure. In comparison, the present invention does not focus on generating additional batch files or other executable files, but integrates modularized program modules directly in accordance with custom-made requirement. On the contrary, Bowhill fails to teach or suggest selecting modules matching the requirement directly from corresponding modules needed by the available stored combined programs and integrating into an independent complete software product, but merely discloses transforming the received files into an executable software package.

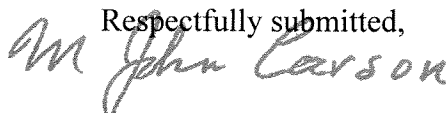
Therefore, the amended claim 1 renders the present invention patentable over Campbell and Bowhill. Claims 2-3 are dependent from the amended claim 1, whereby they should be patentable over Campbell and Bowhill for the same reasons stated above.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that the present application is in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is therefore respectfully requested.

No fee is believed due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized during prosecution of this application, to charge any fees that may be required (except for patent issue fees required under 37 CFR §1.18) or to credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0337. If an extension of time is required in connection with this paper, please consider this a Petition therefor and charge any fees required to Deposit Account No. 50-0337.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "M. John Carson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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